

## **INTRODUCTION TO JOHN: (2) – THE “STORY” OF JOHN’S GOSPEL**

### **INTRODUCTION**

- the AIM of John’s Gospel.
- the STORY of John’s Gospel.
- how John can encourage us in personal evangelism.

#### ***Chapter 1. Introduction***

1:1-18                Jesus is God  
1:18-50             Jesus is Messiah

***Chapters 2 – 12. Jesus comes from the Father.***  
**Jesus’ identity and work is revealed in signs and words,  
leading to final rejection by the Jews, and the Gospel goes to the Gentiles.**

Chs 2-4.             Jesus is the promised king  
Chs 5-10.            Jesus is the divine king who gives eternal life and judges  
Chs 11-12.          Jesus will bring resurrection life through his death.  
                              The Jews reject him, Gentiles begin to believe.

***Chapters 13-20. Jesus returns to the Father – via the Cross.***  
**Jesus goes to the Cross & teaches the disciples how to live in the light  
of the Cross**

Chs 13-17.          Trusting Christ and living for him once he’s returned to the Father  
Chs 18-19.          Jesus’ obedient, glorious, wrath-bearing sacrifice  
Ch20.                Jesus is risen. Believe the witnesses

#### ***Chapter 21. Epilogue***



## **Chs 5-10. Jesus is the divine king who gives eternal life & judges**

- The signs
- The explanations
- Key word = “work”<sup>1</sup>
- An important passage = 5:17-20

## **Chs 11-12. Jesus will bring resurrection life through his death. The Jews reject him, Gentiles begin to believe**

- 11:1-54
- 11:55-12:50

### **Think about “BELIEF” in chs 2-12**

- Read 2:23-24 and 4:45-48. What’s faulty about their faith?
- Read 6:60 and 6:66. What’s surprising here?
- Read 8:31 and 8:59. What’s surprising here?  
What do we learn about their “belief”? What revealed their true heart-attitude?
- Read 12:42-43. What do we learn here about false faith?
- What does real faith look like? How does Jesus define real faith?  
eg. 6:66-68, 8:31, 10:25-29

Lessons for us from false faith...

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<sup>1</sup> References to the work of God (noun and verb) include: 4:34, 5:17, 5:20, 5:36, 6:29-30, 7:3, 7:21, 9:3, 10:25, 10:32, 10:37-38, 14:10-12, 15:24, 17:4.

## **CHAPTERS 13-20. JESUS RETURNS TO THE FATHER – VIA THE CROSS.**

### **JESUS GOES TO THE CROSS AND TEACHES THE DISCIPLES HOW TO LIVE IN THE LIGHT OF THE CROSS**

#### **Jesus is returning to the Father**

(See 13:1, 13:33, 14:2, 14:12, 16:5, 16:10, 16:17, 16:28, 17:11, 17:13 )

(cp. 2:4, 7:8)

#### **Chs 13-17. Trusting & living for Christ once he's returned to the Father**

#### **Chs 18-19. Jesus' obedient, glorious, wrath-bearing sacrifice**

- Some key verses  
18:11  
18:14  
19:30

#### **Ch20. Jesus is risen. Believe the witnesses**

## **CHAPTER 21. EPILOGUE**